AKIHABARA

AKIHABARA is a name that's even becoming famous in the United States. Say "Akihabara" and one thing comes to mind: electronics. You'll find all the latest, all the finest Japanese electronic gear, from tiny walkie-talkies and wrist-watch calculators to giant sound systems, 50-inch TV's and home computer layouts. Located to the west of Akihabara Station on the Yamanote Line are block after block of stores, from eight-story electronic department stores to tiny arcade shops barely big enough for the owner to stand in. Two of the biggest stores are Yamagiwa Denki and Rajio Sentaa (Radio Center). If you like electronics, you'll go crazy at Akihabara.

HOW TO GET THERE

From Yokosuka Chuo:

- 1. Go to <u>YOKOSUKA CHUO</u> 横須賀中央 Station and buy a ¥780 transfer ticket for <u>AKIHABARA</u> 秋葉原 Station on <u>JR YAMANOTE J R 山手線</u> Line.
- 2. Go to track #2 and take the GREEN or RED KANJI train to SHINAGAWA 品川 Station.
- 3. Get off at <u>SHINAGAWA 品川</u> and transfer to <u>JR YAMANOTE JR 山手線</u> Line bound for Tokyo/Ueno on track #1. AKIHABARA is the 7th stop from Shinagawa.
- 4. Get off at <u>AKIHABARA</u> 秋葉原 Station. From the train platform, go down the steps and leave the station using the <u>WEST</u> exit (Nishi-guchi). After passing through the wicket on the ground floor, you can leave the station from the left or the right side. The main street will be two blocks away.

From Ikego:

- 1. Go to <u>JIMMUJI (神武寺)</u> Station and buy a ¥ 710 transfer ticket for <u>AKIHABARA</u> Station on <u>JR YAMANOTE</u> Line.
- 2. Take a train from track #2 to <u>KANAZAWA BUNKO</u> 金沢文庫 and change to a GREEN or RED KANJI train to SHINAGAWA.
- 3. Continue as above #3.

Note: During certain times of the day it may be necessary to switch trains at KANAZAWA HAKKEI 金沢八景.



^{*}This flyer and many more can be found on the FFSC Website:

www.cfay.navy.mil/fscyoko/index.htm

LISTING OF SOME OF THE STORES IN AKIHABARA

- 1. ROCKET MAIN STORE: A large-scale electronic appliances store, popular varieties of A/V products. Duty Free Shop is on the 3^{rd} Floor
- 2. RADIO KAIKAN: An eight-story building packed with stores offering a wide variety of home electric appliances and high-tech computers.
- 3. MITSUUROKO BUILDING: Similar to Radio Kaikan, this place houses many stores. Radio controllers and railway models on the third floor.
- 4. LAOX SOFTWARE SHOP: Plenty of personal computer software on the first floor and video software on the second floor.
- 5. DAIICHI KATEI DENKI: (Popularly called Daiichi Kaden). Akihabara Main Store: Radio cassettes and videos on the first floor, TV's on the second, audio products on the third and fourth, home electrical appliances on the sixth, and duty-free shop on the seventh.
- 6. ISHIMARU DENKI NO. 2 SHOP: One of the leading stores with a large stock of goods.
- 7. ISHIMARU DENKI NO. 3 SHOP: The biggest record shop in the area.
- 8. LAOX MAIN STORE: Videos on the first floor, small-size audio on the second, personal computers on the third, audio equipment on the fourth and fifth, duty-free shop on the sixth and seventh floors.
- 9. HIROSE MUSEN & SATE MUSEN MAIN STORE: Large-scale stores popular for their good stock of A/V products.
- 10. YAMAGIWA DUTY-FREE SHOP: Open year round.
- 11. KAKUTA X-ONE: Plenty of hobby products including ham radio equipment and radio controllers. Duty-free shop is on the fourth floor.
- 12. YAMAGIWA TECHNICA: From the basement software floor to fifth floor study room. the place is filled with personal and business computers.
- 13. NAKAURA 1: Popular for its singing sales clerks with the accompaniment of karaoke tapes in the front of the store.
- 14. ROCKET NO. 5: Store with a bright sign, playing Beatles' karaoke tapes. Home electrical products, radio cassettes and A/V products
- 15. SATE MUSEN EKLMAE NO. 2: The closest store to the JR Akihabara Station. Home electrical products as well as A/V products.

